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doors man," he said.

and fields.

Critics, Selected by Pietro, the Artist, for

Making Studies of the Naturalist

a portrait of John Burroughs, the familiar bird.

in that he believes in portraying the

best side of his subject; but his ideal-

ism must have its birth in the material,

the real. His inspirations must always

find their raison d'etre in something

which really exists in every day life.

roughs is the naturalist of the woods

It was with the desire to be true to

nature that a statuette and a life size

portrait bust of Mr. Burroughs were

Such a man as Burroughs would be

a prisoner in the city and much more

and gracious host to his friends and ad- pened.

made in this unusual way.

He is the naturalist of art, as Mr. Bur-

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or have talked or walked with him

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more interesting than one with Bur-

roughs; he awakens all the senses and

blind. You not only become a nature

lover, but such an experience gives you

the desire to become at once a bot-

One of Mr. Burroughs's most usual

remarks is that "Nature is so won-

derful, so full of secrets, and yet such

a willing teacher if we would only be

anist, geologist, ornithologist.

her pupils."

of a prisoner in a studio. Instead of It is not strange that so many sum-

studio walls, during these sittings he mer visitors to the Catskills find their

looked upon the face of nature. As the way to Woodchuck Lodge, the summer

soft Catskill breezes blew gently home of the naturalist at Roxbury

around him he spoke of the evolution N. Y. They come in automobiles and

of man, the geology of the blue moun- carriages, on horseback and afoot.

tains which curved their beautiful lines They come with servants, and they

on all sides. His commas and periods come, too, as the country boys do,

were bits of bread and nuts, which he barefooted and with a string of fish

tossed to the chipmunk or friendly bird; over their shoulders; they bring ac-

a touch of intimacy which helped much counts of wonderful adventures, or

toward the success of the work. Al- come with some little dead bird in the

though Mr. Burroughs is an interesting hand, to learn why and how it hap-

mirers, he is never quite so true to him- There was added interest for those

self as when watching or talking to his who came to Woodchuck Lodge while

field or forest friends, or listening to the portrait was being executed. They

the song of the hermit thrush. It is saw the naturalist and an artist work-

then that his senses quicken, his eyes ing under congenial circumstancestake on added lustre, his nostrils dilate congenial, for one saw art in nature,

and his ears are strained, all this the and the other nature in art. Each



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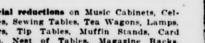
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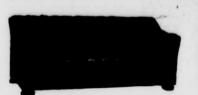


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Their Pluck

Hardly had I stepped on board with

## wardroom officers, who were congregated in one of the staterooms These meetings, I learned later, were part of the routine of the life aboard ship, and at them for ten or fifteen minutes before dinner all the happenings of the day were gone over and discussed.

The all absorbing topic at this time was the coming target practice which was to commence on the following Monday. All the batteries of the ship were represented in the room.

I was ushered into the presence of the

The good natured rivalry was very keen. Each officer apparently considered efficiency as a battery officer to be the final test of ability. The power to hit the enemy was to be demonstrated by this coming practice, the value of the ship as a fighting unit was to be determined, and each officer and man must bear his share.

The long prepared for Monday arrived and everything appeared in complete readiness. Officers and men understood their positions. Umpires and re-corders we on board. The fire control party had been thoroughly drilled at their stations. The spotters lay aloft with their powerful binoculars and were on the lookout. The ordnance mechanism had been repeatedly and thoroughly overhauled. The ammunition supply was conveniently located.

The Mississippi steamed on the range and the sighting shot was fired, followed by the first string of the forward 12 inch turret. A good showing was made.

The column countermarched and it was now the turn of the after 12 inch turret to compete with the forward turret for its first string. By special permission I was admitted inside the turret and here I found the men stripped to the waist, eager and alert at their various gun stations.

They were well built fellows; no physical strain appeared too much for them. Their eyes expressed intelligence, their bearing told of steadiness of nerve requisite for any hazardous undertaking.

The pointer now announced the target in view and was directed by the officer in command to get on and to keep on. The gun umpire was ready to take time from the blowing of the whistle. Four minutes was allowed, in which time eight shots must be fired. No sound was heard except the clicking of the electrical range and deflection transmission, sent from time to time by the fire control party.

The whistle blew; the gun umpire s..apped his watch; the officer in com-mand gave the order, "Load!" The loading car came up quickly from the handling room; shell and powder were rammed home; the breech was closed; the primer firing device was cocked: the pointer and trainer were on and the gun was fired. All in less time than it takes to tell.

The same loading process was repeated at once. All was ready to fire a second time, but the pointer hesitated. The seconds were ticking away and every second counted. The men were getting impatient and were muttering John Burroughs, Portrayed Amid Nature He Loves quietly:

"Why don't you fire?" "Can't make out the target, sir," re-

plied the pointer. "Fire as soon as you are on," com-manded the officer.
One full minute passed by. The gun

umpire kept the officer advised as to the passing of time. The suspense on the part of the crew was becoming apparent. The reward for months of tedious preparation was being slowly taken to show what they could do. from them. But what could they do? The second full minute passed. Then

suddenly the second shot was fired. Again the gun was quickly and quietly loaded and again the pointer hesitated, that never say die spirit were visible "Can't make out the target, sir," came in the slightest movement,

HE Atlantic battleship fleet was at target practice and it was last minute was rapidly table and the umpire snapped his watch, the order at target practice and it was last minute was rapidly ticking away. "Commence firing" came, followed by my good fortune to witness the "Ten seconds more," announced the the loading, the heavy explosion.

firing on board the U. S. S. gun umpire. "Fire if you are on!" commanded the officer.

"Can't see the target, sir," replied the the customary salute to the colors and pointer.

Four minutes had elapsed and "cease gun, and so on as regular as clockwork firing" was ordered.

All was over for that string. One more string was to be fired, but the hoped for record was doomed, because an average of the two strings would be counted as the score of the turret. Two shots in four minutes! It was

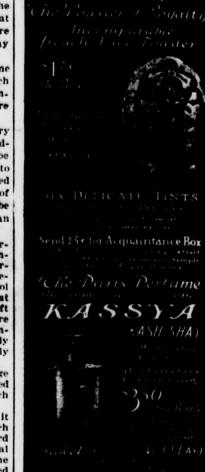
mpossible to make up this handicap. The disappointment on the part of the erew was keen. If the pointer was at fault he could never have lived down the disgrace on board that ship. was summoned to report to the officer in command, and he explained: "Sir, after firing the first shot, I could

not make out the target. The wind was on the opposite beam and the ha of discharge kept hanging right along between the sight and the target. ould not fire, sir, until this haze disappeared and I was sure to hit."

The pointer had been trained for months to fire only when he was sure he was on the target, never to fire a shot unless that shot would hit, and in spite of his eagerness to make a good showing he had been obedient and true to his trust. He was wholly exonerated. Through the misfortune of an unfavorable course on which the ship had been heading these men had lost their was their one great satisfaction chance of making a record.

Were they disappointed? Yes, deeply

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in them and they knew that they could make that after 12 inch turret a record breaker. They quietly crawled out of the turret, but determination was stamped on the face of each one them. It was simply a case of hard

and they knew it. Although the opportunity for a record was lost they still had one more chance

Once more the Mississippi steamed on the range. The members of the gun crew were at their stations. In spite of their blasted hopes, determination and

Once again the whistle blew, the A hit! The pointer could clear the large round blue hole in the

The wind, being a little ahead, quickly dispelled the haze of discharge. Another roar and the left gun had The gun umpire snapped his watch. fired. Fifteen seconds later the right the firing was kept up right through the entire eight shots.

At the eighth shot the snapped his watch. The time? Everybody in that turret knew it couldn't be four minutes. The pointers and trainer looked through their powerful telescopic sights

and with the suavity of diplomats announced eight hits in that target cut as clear as a whistle. Eight shots and eight hits

minutes and four seconds! Small wonder that the restrained excitement now broke loose, that every. body shook hands with every Was it really true? Yes, those powerful telescopic quickly gave assurance to

server. Was the time right? Yes. pire and officer in command both checked the time and agreed within one

second. The never say die spirit had won. The average of the two strings was low; no record was broken. man of that gun crew had pr worth to officers and shipma

And that is the spirit of American blue jackets as a whole. With or with-Not for one minute, out hope of reward, they simply wish



He loves to watch and talk to his friends of the field

other's views. Simplicity and nautrainess are traits

of Mr. Burroughs, and as those qualities are the inspiration of Mr. Pietro's art, it and the fields as a studio, C. thing new, hoping to hear a specially The artist respected and admired the S. Pietro prepared to make sweet note in the song of the rare or wisdom of the master, and the latter in of Mr. Pietro's work. naturalist. "That was the only way Mr. Burroughs is not only anxious of one he has called a true artist.

to make a true portrait of the out of to learn for himself, but he delights in sharing his knowledge with others, as Mr. Pietro's most recent work incan made in bronze for the city of Ascoli-Piceno and one in marble for the present J. P. Morgan. The marble bust makes his companions feel that pre-Gould), busts of the Misses Helen and his art. viously they had been both deaf and

Open Air Studio, With Birds and Chipmunks for understood and sympathized with the Statuette and Life Size Portrait Bust Made in Unusual Way at Woodchuck Lodge, Summer Home of "Out of Doors Man"

TITH phoebes, finches, blue- better to see and hear, for the naturalist is only natural that the artist and Gould), and portraits of B. J. Falk, three years, but as he is a rapid and birds and squirrels as critics is ever a student, eager to learn some- nauralist should become close friends. Gen. Booth, Baroness von Suttner and indefatigable worker his productions Magistrate Freschi are other examples are very numerous.

turn appreciated the enthusiasm and art Mr. Pletro's other work includes the

Bluejacket Gunners Show life size statue of Audubon placed in front of the Museum of Natural Hiscludes the larger than life size por- tory at Scranton, Pa., and a marble Mr. Pletro is an idealist in his work those will testify who know his works, trait bust of the late J. Plerpont Mor- fountain for the Hackensack Court House. His ideal studies of "Nydia." "Love Awakening" and "God in the Heart," owned by Mrs. Finley J. Shep-Mississippi. of Mrs. Finley J. Shepard (Helen ard, are examples of another phase of Dorothy Gould (children of Frank Mr. Pietro has resided in America only report to the officer of the deck when





John Burroughs and C. S. Pietro.
"The grand old out of doors man" delights in sharing his knowledge with others.



It is this touch of intimacy which has helped much toward the success of his work.